

About This Area

This 80-acre native prairie remnant is owned by the Missouri Prairie Foundation and is jointly managed with the Conservation Department. Management objectives have focused on preserving and enhancing the native prairie flora and fauna found on the area. This area has been designated by Audubon Missouri as an Important Bird Area (IBA). Area managers use prescribed fire, grazing and other management practices to maintain healthy grasslands, simulate historic disturbances, and limit the negative impacts of invasive plants. Species of conservation concern which find a home on this area include Henslow sparrows, Grasshopper sparrows, and pink katydids.

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hunting – Hiking – Wildlife Viewing – Outdoor Photography

Rules and Regulations

Conservation areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing, and hunting activities.

- No littering.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being used for hunting or training.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to parking areas.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption.
- No camping permitted.
- No target shooting allowed.
- Horseback riding is not permitted.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

Fishing

- There is one small pond on the area and it has not been stocked with fish.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to deer and turkey hunting only. These activities are further restricted by the following regulations:

- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits except: only archery and muzzleloading methods may be used. Firearms antlerless and archery antlerless permits may not be used.
- Only bucks that have at least four antler points on one side of their rack may be taken during the archery and firearms deer hunting seasons (except the youth portions).
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the owner and be removed from the area before February 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Turkey hunting by archery methods only.

Nearby Areas:

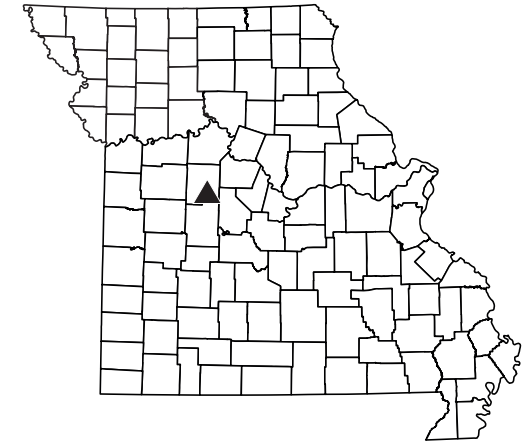
Friendly Prairie Conservation Area
Paint Brush Prairie Conservation Area
Grandfather Prairie Conservation Area
Mora Conservation Area
Hi Lonesome Prairie Conservation Area
Ionia Ridge Conservation Area

For local information, contact:

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Drover's Prairie

CONSERVATION AREA



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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

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